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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Applications for New Awards, Investing in Innovation Fund, Scale-up and Validation Grants; Correction

AGENCY: Office of Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: On May 3, 2013, we published notices in the Federal Register inviting applications (NIAs) for the i3 Scale-up and Validation grants (78 FR 25977) and (78 FR 25990). The NIAs inadvertently omitted part of an evaluation requirement. This notice corrects the NIAs to include the omitted language, namely that the grantee must also ensure that the data from its evaluation are made available to third-party researchers consistent with applicable privacy requirements.

DATES: Effective [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Corrections:

1. In the Federal Register of May 3, 2013, on page 25985, middle column, we are correcting the evaluation requirement to read:

"Evaluation: The grantee must conduct an independent evaluation (as defined in this notice) of its project. This evaluation must estimate the impact of the i3-supported practice (as implemented at the proposed level of scale) on a relevant outcome (as defined in this notice). The grantee must make broadly available digitally and free of charge, through formal (e.g., peer-reviewed journals) or informal (e.g., newsletters) mechanisms, the results of any evaluations it conducts of its funded activities. For Scale-up and Validation grants, the grantee must also ensure that the data from its evaluation are made available to third-party researchers consistent with applicable privacy requirements.

In addition, the grantee and its independent evaluator must agree to cooperate with any technical assistance provided by the Department or its contractor and comply

with the requirements of any evaluation of the program conducted by the Department. This includes providing to the Department, within 100 days of a grant award, an updated comprehensive evaluation plan in a format and using such tools as the Department may require. Grantees must update this evaluation plan at least annually to reflect any changes to the evaluation. All of these updates must be consistent with the scope and objectives of the approved application. (2013 i3 NFP)"

2. In the Federal Register of May 3, 2013, beginning on page 25998, last column, and continuing on page 25999, first column, we are correcting the evaluation requirement to read:

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Program Authority: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Division A, Section 14007, Pub. L. 111-5.

Accessible Format: Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotape, or compact disc) on request to the program contact persons listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

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